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1. IN PRESS STATEMENT PUBLISHED OCTOBER 2, OAU SECY GEN WILLIAM ETEKI M'BOUMOUA, WHO IS HERE FOR OPENING OF ALGIERS XIIITH INTERNATIONAL AND IIND PAN AFRICAN FAIRS, MADE FOLLOWING POINTS RE SOUTHERN AFRICA:

A. PEACEFUL SOLUTION VS.ARMED STRUGGLE: RIGHTLY OR WRONGLY, OAU HAS ACCEPTED PRINCIPLE OF PEACEFUL SOLUTION. NEVERTHELESS, EVEN IF SECRETARY KISSINGER GLORIFIES HIMSELF (FOR HAVING BROUGHT ABOUT PROGRESS), IT IS ARMED STRUGGLE THAT HAS MADE SMITH GO BACK ON HIS EARLIER STATEMENT THAT HTERE WOULD NEVER BE MAJORITY RULE IN HIS LIFETIME. PEACEFUL SOLUTION NOT JEFECTED, BUT OUT OF QUESTION FOR SMITH TO DICTATE HOW LAW OF MAJORITY RULE WILL BE APPLIED.
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B. NEXT STEPS: "EVENTSACCORDING TO PROPOSITION OF

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CALLAGHAN AND KISSINGER," WE NOW AT STAGE IN WHICH SMITH AND REPS OF ZIMBABWE PEOPLE WILL DISCUSS CONSTITUTION AND TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT WHICH WILL OVERSEE ADVENT OF ZIMBABWE INDEPENDENCE, IN TEN MONTHS TO TWO YEARS AND IN CONTEXT OF MAJORITY RULE.

C. DIALOGUE WITH SOUTH AFRICA: OAU WILL NEVER ACCEPT DIALOGUE WITH SOUTH AFRICA. HOWEVER, OAU ACCEPTS DIALOGUE BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICA AND BLACK AFRICAN POPULATIONS DEMANDING RIGHT TO SPEAK.

2. OCTOBER 2 PRESS ALSO CARRIES EXTRACTS FROM ALGERIAN UN PERM REP RAHAL'S SEPTEMBER 30 STATEMENT TO SECURITY COUNCIL CALLING FOR CHAPTER 7 SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA. SECRETARY KISSSINGER'S DEMARCHES CAN ONLY BE JUDGED BY THEIR RESULTS, HE ASSERTED, BUT HIS EFFORTS DO AT LEAST HAVE MERIT OF RECOGNIZING DIRECT LINK BETWEEN PROBLEMS OF REGION, ALL OF WHICH STEM FROM SOUTH AFRICAN APARTHEID. ILLUSORY, HE SAID, TO THINK OF SOLVING RHODESIA OR NAMIBIA PROBLEM WITHOUT TAKING ON APARTHEID ISSUE AT SAME TIME.

3. COMMENT: RAHAL'S REMARKS SEEM TO RESTATE GOA'S WAIT AND SEE ATTITUDE ON SECRETARY'S SOUTHERN AFRICA INITIATIVE WITHOUT REVOLUTIONARY BOILERPLATE FOUND IN BOUMEDIENE'S MESSAGE TO HEADS OF FRONT LINE STATES (REFTEL).

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